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To: AFO's, DSD's, Regional Fire Management Officers, and Regional Budget Analysts

From: State Director

Subject: Fire Program Reporting **DD: 06/07/01**

The implementation and reporting of fuels treatment projects continues to be a high Bureau priority for FY 2001 and beyond. During the past few months, states have been manually reporting their fuels accomplishments on a weekly basis to NIFC at the National Office of Fire and Aviation. As outlined in WO IM No. 2001-148 (Attachment 1), the manual reporting of fuels accomplishments will be discontinued. Effective the week of June 4, 2001, offices will be required to report fuels treatment accomplishments each Thursday in the Management Information System (MIS), Performance and Workload Measures module. The applicable subactivities are: 2822-Emergency Rehabilitation, 2823-Hazardous Fuels Reduction, and 2824-Wildland Urban Fuels Title IV. The applicable program elements are: BR, BS, BT, DD, JL, JM, JW, MT, and MZ. Keep in mind that the DI-1202 Fire Reporting System continues to be a requirement for reporting fire suppression, fuels treatment, and fire trespass actions.

Since past accomplishment reporting showed discrepancies between the weekly NIFC manual report and applicable MIS totals, it is **critical** that the MIS Actuals to be initially reported as of June 7 match the last manually reported fuels accomplishments shown in Attachment 2 (Actuals for an office can be greater, but not less). After these numbers have been reconciled, they should be kept current. Each FMO, designated fuels person, or involved program specialist should provide fuels treatment accomplishments to the field office MIS coordinator in time for data entry by June 7 and thereafter by each Thursday. For your information, Attachment 3 shows the fuels targets as of June 01, 2001 which have been agreed-upon and are being corrected in the MIS system by NIFC.

Questions regarding this instruction memorandum should be addressed to Jim Francis, State Fuels Management Specialist @916-978-4433 and/or Dale Buffaloe, Management Analyst @ 916-978-4513.

Signed by:
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3 Attachments

- 1 - WO IM 2001-148 (4pp)
- 2 - FY 2001 Fuels Management Actuals (print on 8 ½ x 14 paper) (5pp)
- 3 - FY 2001 Fuels Management Targets (print on 8 ½ x 14 paper) (5pp)

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EMS TRANSMISSION 05/22/2001
Instruction Memorandum No. 2001-148
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To: SDs, ADs, AFOs and CDs

From: Director

Subject: Fire Program Reporting

DD: 05/25/2001

Program Area: Fire Program Reporting

Purpose/Background: The FY 2001 DOI Appropriations Act provided over \$90 million in funding to accomplish hazardous fuels treatment projects. Along with this funding came the Congressional requirement to provide accurate and timely reports of our accomplishments throughout the year.

Policy/Action: The implementation and reporting of the accomplishments of fuels treatment projects continue to be a high Bureau priority for FY 2001 and beyond. The BLM received over \$90 million in FY 2001 to accomplish hazardous fuels treatment projects and to begin planning for FY 2002 projects. In addition, the FY 2002 President's Budget proposes funding the hazardous fuels treatment program at the same level as FY 2001. Concerns have been raised about our ability to accomplish projects and report on them accurately, so it is imperative that we provide timely reports on our progress to keep Bureau and Department management informed of our progress. This timely reporting also allows BLM to build credibility with Congress and helps to justify future funding requests. During the last few months we have been reporting our accomplishments on a weekly basis using data calls through the State Fire Management Officers. Everyone agrees this manual reporting has been a cumbersome process consuming valuable time of employees at all levels of the Bureau. Therefore, we want to eliminate the manual weekly fuels accomplishment reporting and rely on the Management Information System (MIS) reports.

In order to eliminate the manual reporting, we must do weekly reporting of our accomplishments in the MIS. We have reviewed the latest MIS reports and compared them to the weekly manual reporting and found several discrepancies. It is evident that the reporting systems do not match and it makes one wonder which one is correct. It is critical we get the MIS numbers to match the last weekly report and then keep them current. Effective during the week of June 4, the manual fuels accomplishment reporting will no longer be required. Instead offices will be required to report fuels treatment accomplishments in MIS by Thursday of each week. If there were no accomplishments in a particular week, then offices are not required to report.

Keep in mind that the DI-1202 Fire Reporting System continues to be a requirement for fire suppression, fuels treatment, and fire trespass actions. The National Business Center (NBC) is working on a link between the DI-1202 system and MIS where the fire accomplishment data would be taken directly from the DI-1202 system. The plan is to get this up and going as soon as possible. When this link is fully operational, weekly completion of DI-1202 reports will be required and we will no longer report accomplishments in MIS. A Department working group is reviewing all reporting and tracking systems currently being used by the Wildland Fire Management agencies to explore the possibility of a Departmentwide fire reporting system.

Attached is a table showing the latest BLM fuels treatment targets approved by the Department (see Attachment 1). States are to provide a consolidated list of the revised targets by Field Office to Andy Smith (FA-100) by May 25 (see Attachment 2 for format). These revised targets will be entered into MIS by the Office of Fire and Aviation.

Although the accomplishment of fuels treatment projects is important, it does not take a precedent over ensuring we are operating safely. Safety has been and continues to be our number one priority. Questions regarding this memorandum may be addressed to Wini Sorensen (208-387-5154) or Andy Smith (208-387-5161).

Signed by:
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Acting Director

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2 Attachments

- 1 - Revised FY 2001 BLM Fuels Treatment Targets
- 2 - Revised FY 2001 BLM Fuels Treatment Targets by Office Report

Directive forwarded to SD, Fire Management, HazMat & Budget on 5/22/01.

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Revised FY 2001 BLM Fuels Treatment Targets

State	WUI Fuels (acres)	Hazardous Fuels (acres)	Total
Alaska	400	29,600	30,000
Arizona	176	28,888	29,064
California	5,428	5,188	10,616
Colorado	12,220	7,923	20,143
Eastern States	0	5	5
Idaho	37,700	48,306	86,006
Montana	2,000	8,150	10,150
Nevada	14,565	30,435	45,000
New Mexico	1,813	17,943	19,756
Oregon	30,377	29,623	60,000
Utah	5,510	15,191	20,701
Wyoming	1,530	27,270	28,800
Total	111,719	248,522	360,241

Revised FY 2001 BLM Fuels Treatment Targets by Office

(State)

State/Office	Field Office (org. code)	WUI Fuels (acres)	Hazardous Fuels (acres)	Total
<i>Alaska (example)</i>				
<i>Anchorage</i>	<i>AK-040</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>29,600</i>	<i>30,000</i>
Total		400	29,600	30,000